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HERE IT IS: THE LATEST WORD FROM EDITOR, JULIUS SCHWARTZ!

The July GREEN LANTERN introduces a startling new villain - - SONAR - "The Man who Conquered Sound!" Also in this issue: "Green Lantern's Brother Act," the second in a series of stories dealing with Hal (GL) Jordan's two brothers. Sharp-eyed readers will spot the villain as a take-off on Sidney Greenstreet in his role of "The Maltese Falcon" movie.

The August FLASH has the most striking cover this magazine has ever offered. It depicts five of The Scarlet Speedster's foes triumphantly gazing at a helpless FLASH. But of the five, "Who Doomed The Flash?" Also included is the latest KID FLASH adventure, co-starring the Elongated Man and the Weather Wizard!

What would happen if the members of the JUSTICE LEAGUE fought robot-duplicates of themselves? Since the combatants were equal, it figured to end in a draw. Yet somehow, the robots were on the verge of winning each of their matches. Title -- "Riddle of the Robot Justice League!" Issue -- August JLA.

EXTRA: From the title of the follow-up September JLA -- "Menace of the 'Atom' Bomb" -- you can infer that the long-awaited admission of the World's Smallest Super-Hero will take place.

The debut of THE FLASH-GREEN LANTERN team in the June GREEN LANTERN has proven to be a smashing success, so the dynamic duo will reappear in the September FLASH when they become "Captives of the Cosmic Ray!" It will be interesting to compare Carmine Infantino's handling of the team with Gil Kane's version.

The August STRANGE ADVENTURES will carry Murphy Anderson's first wash drawing, illustrating "Face in the Atom Bomb Cloud!" For the first time since the ATOMIC KNIGHTS started, this popular feature will be cover-illustrated on the September SA. The intriguing title - -"When the Earth Blacked Out!"

MANHAWK battles HAWKMAN in "Masked Maruaders of Earth" (BRAVE & BOLD #43). Joe Kubert fans will be thrilled to learn that he has done a wash cover for the follow-up HAWKMAN issue, illustrating "The Men who Moved the World!"

((I am sure that comic readers everywhere join me in wishing Mrs. Julius Schwartz a complete and speedy recovery from her prolonged illness. J.G.B.))

EXCLUSIVE--There are two publishers who are thinking of entering the comics field. One already has a small staff lined up, but prefers to operate in secrecy for now. (They are working on some original ideas and gimmicks.) The other firm is still a bit hesitant. It's Dawn Publishing Co., G.O.P. Box 8, Manhattan 1, New York. A barrage of letters from COMIC READERS might give them encouragement. may 16 '62

EDITOR'S NOTES:

1. I will be moving the last week of May, but unfortunately, I do not know my new address yet. Most of my mail will be forwarded, but the post office will not forward third class mail. Therefore, I would appreciate it if all my correspondents would send me any printed matter by first class mail until my new address is known.
2. I have made two substitutions in the packets of prints of rare comics covers. ALL-STAR #1 replaces CIRCUS #1 in set A, and ALL-STAR #4 (a beautiful JSA cover) replaces TOM MIX #1 in set C. Orders for prints received before May 15 will be filled in early June, and I will accept new orders for packets A,B, and C until June 30. (Price $2.00 per packet.) For more information about these packets, see the blurb sheet with CR-9 or send me a self-addressed, stamped envelope.
3. The pre-publication sale of ALTER-EGO #4 (at 50¢) closes on June 15. No orders will be accepted after this date in order that I can determine the size of the print run. Only a few extra copies will be printed, so if you haven't ordered, do so before it is too late.
4. The deadline for all material to appear in AE-4 is June 30. Since this is the last issue of AE that I am planning for quite some time, I would like to receive contributions from all of comic fantom's writers and artists. How about you?? If you have something to contribute, please get the first draft in to me before June 15.
5. Because of the publication of AE-4 this summer, COMICOLLECTOR #7 will not appear in August. The new deadline for CC-7 is Oct. 1 Advertisers with rare comics for sale this summer can contact me about the use of ad space in THE COMIC READER, which will appear during the summer. This offer does not extend to want ads or trade lists.
6. I would like to hear from other comics fans with access to duplicating equipment who might like to join me in the formation of an amateur publishing company, the purpose of which would be to share the burdens and profits (if any) of publishing THE COMICOLLECTOR.
7. To request the next issue of the COMIC READER, send me an unsealed, stamped envelope addressed to yourself. Mention that you want CR-11, or you may get another copy of this issue.
8. Thanks for the many kind wishes and concern over my recent hospitalization. I didn't break a leg. I simply developed a reaction to some medication I was taking for headaches. The cure was simple; I just stopped taking the other medication. It was expensive anyway and Empirins work just as well.
9. I have many pre-1950 DC comics for sale at real bargain prices. Most of these comics are in very good to mint shape. I will publish a complete prince list soon which you can have for a self-addressed, stamped envelope. I have STAR SPANGLED, ALL-AMERICAN, GREEN LANTERN, etc.
10. The revised "Index to ALL-STAR COMICS" is now in print. The cover illustration of the JSA is in black and white this time. Copies are 25¢ each while they last.
11. Deadline for ads in CC-6: June 1. Rates $1.00 per quarter-page (minimum: $1.00).
12. Sample copies of CC-6 with bonus features: 25¢ each. No subscriptions accepted until further notice.

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